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Computer Software and Services Export Targets for the next 3 years as per the Tenth Five Year Plan

Year	Projected Export Target (Rs. in Crores)
2002-03	54000.00
2003-04	73000.00
2004-05	98000.00

Legislation on Drunken Driving

*145. DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to bring forward a new legislation or amend the existing laws to provide for deterrent punishment for drunken driving which is the major cause of accidents; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS MAJOR GENERAL (RETD.) (B.C. KHANDURI): (a) and (b) Provisions exist in the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 to deter and punish the act of drunken driving. Under Section 185 of the Motor Vehicles Act, while driving or attempting to drive a motor vehicle, if a person has, in his blood, alcohol exceeding 30 mg. per 100 ml of blood detected in a test by a breath analyzer, he shall be punishable:

(i) for the first offence with imprisonment for a term which may extend to six months, or with fine which may extend to two thousand rupees, or with both; and

(ii) for a second or subsequent offence, if committed within three years of the commission of the previous similar offence, with imprisonment for a term which may extend to two years, or with fine which may extend to three thousand rupees, or with both.

Certain amendments making the above provision more stringent are contemplated.